

Audiology Patient Assistance (APA) Program Application

The Audiology Patient Assistance (APA) program is administered by the Department of Audiology at Cleveland Hearing & Speech Center. This program provides hearing aids, assistive listening devices and/or hearing aid repairs to low-income, qualified individuals in the Northeast Ohio area. Eligibility for the program is based on the completion of an application and proof of income, submitted by the patient. Please be advised that we can not process your application without proof of financial status. Please allow 4 weeks to process your application. A waiting period, of undetermined length, may be required before you can obtain your hearing aid and/or assistive listening device.

Hearing Aid Program

While there is no charge for the hearing aid itself, there will be charges for professional services rendered including testing as necessary. Repairs after the warranty period will be the financial responsibility of the patient. After the initial fitting, there may be additional charges to the patient for any services provided by the audiologist. Depending on our funding, we may be able to provide 1 or 2 hearing aids per patient.

All fees are DUE IN TOTAL at the time of the hearing test/ear impression visit and are NON-REFUNDABLE. We provide services on a sliding scale. If accepted into the program, typical charges range from \$54 to \$922. Remember, charges are for services only, the hearing aid itself is given at NO CHARGE. Approval into the Audiology Patient Assistance program will be canceled if another funding source is used for payment. In addition, if an insurance benefit for hearing aids becomes available, acceptance into the program will no longer be valid.

Hearing Aid Repair Program

We can assist with hearing aid repair charges. All fees are DUE IN TOTAL before we can send the hearing aid to the manufacturer for repair.

Assistive Listening Device Program

While there will be no charge for the device(s) themselves, there will be charges for professional services rendered (including audiologic testing as necessary). Devices may or may not come with a manufacturer's warranty. Warranty information will be explained at the dispensing visit. CHSC does not handle repairs of assistive listening devices. The patient is responsible for sending any malfunctioning product back to the manufacturer. CHSC does not do installations of any assistive listening device. It is the patient's responsibility to arrange for installation of the product. Installation costs are not covered by any of the fees paid to CHSC.

All fees are DUE IN TOTAL at the first visit and are non-refundable. Most devices are special ordered and will require returning to CHSC for a second visit. We provide services on a sliding fee scale. If accepted into the program, typical charges range from \$14 to \$140. Remember, charges are for services only, the assistive listening device(s) are given at NO CHARGE.

Questions regarding the Audiology Patient Assistance Program should be directed to the Department of Audiology at 440-838-1477.

Return application and proof of income to:

Cleveland Hearing & Speech Center 7000 Town Centre Dr. Suite 200 Broadview Heights, OH 44147



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Date received _____ Date reviewed __

I hereby request that Cleveland Hearing & Speech Center information I submit concerning my income and family size be false, such a determination will result in a denial of pro	e is subject to verificatior	by CHSC. I also understand	that if the information is found to
What are you applying for (check all O Hearing aid O Hearing aid repair O Assistive listening device (such a		e, TTY, alerting devi	ces, etc.)
NAME			
ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
PHONEBIRT	H DATE	PHYSICIAN _	
MEDICAL INSURANCE	(p	lease provide a copy of	your current insurance card)
Ethnicity: O White O Black O Asian (for reporting purposes only, our grant funders request certain			
FAMILY SIZE: Please list all people cur	rently living in yo	ur home.	
NAME AGE		RELATIONSHIP	
INCOME: Please list monthly income	for <u>all</u> people lis	ted above.	
Wages (including self employment)			
Social Security	-		
Pensions			
Public Assistance			
Other Sources of Income (including unempl	oyment,		
worker's compensation, alimony, child support, in $\label{eq:GRANDTOTAL} \textbf{GRAND TOTAL}$	ncome from interest	or dividends)	
Current balance of Savings/Checking Acc	counts		

You must submit documentation of the <u>above stated income</u>. Accepted documentation include:

- 1. Wage statement (e.g. social security, unemployment, public assistance, pension, etc.)
- 2. Bank statement
- 3. Social Security statement

Amounts listed above should match the documentation provided. If the amounts do not match, you may be asked to provide additional documentation.

We cannot process your application without this information!